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The meeting was called to order at 10.30 a.m.

Agenda item 92: Macroeconomic policy questions (*continued*)

(a) Trade and development (*continued*)

Draft resolution on the transit environment in the landlocked States in Central Asia and their transit developing neighbours (A/C.2/55/L.19)

1. **The Chairman**, referring to draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.19, adopted by consensus ad referendum on the basis of informal consultations, drew the Committee's attention to the only change to be made in the text: paragraph 6 had been deleted, and paragraph 7 would therefore become paragraph 6. He informed the Committee that Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Kyrgyzstan and The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia had joined as co-sponsors of the draft resolution; he noted that the draft resolution had no programme budget implications.

2. *Draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.19, as orally amended, was adopted.*

(d) Science and technology for development (*continued*)

Draft resolution on strengthening the coordination of the mechanisms on the Commission for Science and Technology for Development: promoting complementarity of activities in the area of new and innovative technologies within the United Nations system (A/C.2/55/L.3 and L.47)

3. **Ms. Barrington** (Ireland), Vice-Chairman, introducing draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.47, said that it had been prepared on the basis of informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.3.

4. **Ms. Kelley** (Secretary of the Committee), speaking on the programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.47, said that paragraph 4 called upon the Secretary-General to strengthen the Commission and its secretariat within the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development by providing it with the necessary resources in order to enable it to carry out better its mandate of assisting the developing countries with their national development efforts in the field of science and technology. In that respect, she drew the Committee's attention to the provisions of General Assembly resolution 45/248 (part B, section VI, paras. 1, 2, 3 and 4).

5. *Draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.47 was adopted.*

6. *Draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.3 was withdrawn.*

7. **The Chairman** proposed that the Committee should adopt the following draft decision: "The General Assembly takes note of document A/55/413, entitled 'Progress made in the implementation of General Assembly resolution 54/201'".

8. *The draft decision was adopted.*

9. **The Chairman** said that the Committee had concluded its consideration of agenda item 92 (d).

Agenda item 93: Sectoral policy questions (*continued*)

(a) Industrial development cooperation (*continued*)

Draft resolution on industrial development cooperation (A/C.2/55/L.22 and L.42)

10. **The Chairman** drew the Committee's attention to draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.42, prepared by consensus ad referendum, on the basis of informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.22.

11. *Draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.42 was adopted.*

12. *Draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.22 was withdrawn.*

13. **Mr. Cavalcante** (Brazil) said that thanks to the spirit of compromise in which the consultations had been conducted, only three meetings had been required to achieve consensus on draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.22; that success was proof of Member States' confidence in the activities of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO). The new document (A/C.2/55/L.42) was an improvement over the resolution previously adopted by the General Assembly on the same question (A/RES/53/177); he drew attention to the points mentioned in paragraphs 5, 8 and 14 of the current year's text.

14. **The Chairman** announced that the Committee had concluded its consideration of agenda item 93 (a).

Agenda item 94: Sustainable development and international economic cooperation (*continued*)

(a) Implementation of the commitments and policies agreed upon in the Declaration on International Economic Cooperation, in particular the Revitalization of Economic Growth and Development of the Developing Countries, and implementation of the International Development Strategy for the Fourth United Nations Development Decade (*continued*)

Draft resolution on implementation of the commitments and policies agreed upon in the Declaration on International Economic Cooperation, in particular the Revitalization of Economic Growth and Development of the Developing Countries, and implementation of the International Development Strategy for the Fourth United Nations Development Decade (A/C.2/55/L.39)

15. **The Chairman** announced that Kyrgyzstan had become a sponsor of the draft resolution.

16. **Mr. Hanif** (Pakistan), Vice-Chairman, introducing draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.39, said that it had received the Committee's support from the beginning. In the third and fourth lines of the fourth preambular paragraph, however, the words "... the final event of the international intergovernmental conference on financing for development" should be replaced by "the high-level international intergovernmental meeting on financing for development". He recommended that the Committee should adopt the draft resolution.

17. *Draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.39, as orally amended, was adopted.*

18. **The Chairman** announced that the Committee had concluded its consideration of agenda item 94 (a).

Agenda item 95: Environment and sustainable development (*continued*)

(a) Implementation of Agenda 21 and the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 (*continued*)

Draft resolutions on the report of the sixth special session of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme (A/C.2/55/L.17 and L.46)

19. **Mr. Hanif** (Pakistan), Vice-Chairman, introducing draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.46, said that it had been prepared on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.17 and recommended that the Committee should adopt it by consensus.

20. **Ms. Kelley** (Secretary of the Committee), speaking on the programme budget implications of the draft resolution, drew attention to the provisions of General Assembly resolution 45/248, part B, section VI.

21. *Draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.46, as orally amended, was adopted.*

22. *Draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.17 was withdrawn.*

23. **Mr. Gamaleldin** (Egypt), speaking on draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.46, said that his delegation appreciated the flexibility on the issue of water supply that had been demonstrated by all participants in the consultations on that important document concerning the policies and strategies of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP).

Agenda item 97: Training and research (*continued*)

Draft resolution on the United Nations University (A/C.2/55/L.24/Rev.1)

24. **The Chairman** announced that Costa Rica, Gabon, Guatemala and Tonga had become sponsors of draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.24/Rev.1.

25. **Ms. Barrington** (Ireland), Vice-Chairman, introducing draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.24/Rev.1, recommended that it should be adopted by consensus.

26. *Draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.24/Rev.1 was adopted.*

Other matters

27. **Mr. Osio** (Nigeria), speaking on behalf of the Group of 77 and China, said that the members of the Group of 77 and China had always submitted draft resolutions on the agenda items that the Committee had before it within the established time limits. After several exchanges of views, however, it had been decided that it would be unnecessary to submit a draft resolution on agenda item 12 (Report of the Economic and Social Council) at the current session since the

Council could, if necessary, examine the issues still pending at a later date.

28. **The Chairman** said that he took note of that information.

The meeting rose at 11.05 a.m.